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1. The 16th Polish Infantry Division acquired the name "Kaszubska" during World War II as a result of service in the Kaszube area along the sea-coast between Gdansk and Gdynia.
2. The headquarters staff of the division is located in the Sobieski Barracks at Gdansk-Wrzeszcz.
3. The division is commanded by a Brigade General Ignacy Duszynski, a Polish Communist and former non-commissioned officer in the Polish army. During the war Duszynski was sent to Russia for a training period lasting nearly three years. The 16th Division was formerly commanded by Brigade General Stanislaw Daniluk-Danilowski, a Polish career army officer. At the time of his removal he was transferred to Wroclaw, and recent information indicates he has been purged from the service. The divisional Chief of Staff is a Soviet officer, Colonel Efroim Levickij.
4. The following units are assigned to the 16th Polish Infantry Division:
 - a) 51st Infantry Regiment - Regimental name "Koscierski", commanded by a Soviet-trained Polish colonel, Wacław Romanowski. Regimental headquarters at Starogard, South of Gdansk.
 - b) 55th Infantry Regiment - Regimental name "Elblaski" with headquarters at Elblag. Under command of Colonel Marcin Nasiak, a Polish Communist and non-commissioned officer before World War II.
 - c) 60th Infantry Regiment - Regimental name "Kartuski" with headquarters at Gdansk. Commanded by Colonel Ignacy Kurbiel, a Polish career officer.
 - d) 41st Artillery Regiment - Regimental name "Gdanski" with headquarters at Gdansk. Commanded by Colonel Marcin Bogdaszewski, a Polish born, Soviet officer.
 - e) 20th Anti-tank Battalion - Battalion headquarters at Wejherowo (P55/Y25). Commanded by a Polish officer, Major Tomasz Iglicki. (This battalion is described as entirely motorized.)

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- f) 51st Engineer Battalion - Headquarters at Malbork (Marienburg, Q55/D79), Field Post Nr. 2239. Under command of a Polish Major Wojciech Skonieczny.
 - g) Signal Corps Battalion - Headquarters at Kartuzy (Karthaus, P55/79). (No further information is available.)
5. Miscellaneous data:
- a) The 16th Infantry Division contains neither a flame thrower unit nor a chemical warfare company.
 - b) The total number of effectives of the division are subdivided as follows:
 - 1) Each infantry regiment -about 800 - 900 men.
 - 2) The artillery regiment -about 490 men.
 - 3) The anti-tank battalion -about 160 men.
 - 4) The engineer battalion - 240 men.
 - 5) The signal corps battalion - about 250 men.
 - c) It was reported that the 16th Infantry Division officer staff contained a surprisingly small number of Soviet officers, but all Politruks were Soviet trained Communists.
 - d) All officers of the Division Intelligence Staff were young Soviet-trained Communists.

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